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1. During the period from 10 to 14 April, the units stationed in the barracks installations southeast and northwest of Berliner Strasse, Prenzlau (I 54/Q 14), for several small rear details, left for their summer camp. The tanks moved by rail and the vehicles went by road.

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German workers employed at the installation were discharged on 11 April 1952. Columns seen at the installation included: 16 T-34 tanks

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and 2 JSU-122 guns including coming from the direction of the town on 9 April; 16 T-34 tanks, moving from the installation to the railroad station on 10 April; 20 T-34 tanks and 3 JSU-122 guns moving in the same direction, on 11 April; 1 sedan and 16 trucks each towing a gun leaving the barracks installation southward on 11 April; 13 T-34 tanks and 2 JSU-122 guns moving from the barracks installation to the railroad station on 12 April; 18 JS-2 tanks moving in the same direction on 13 April; and 13 JS-2 tanks and 2 JSU-122 guns moving in the same direction on 14 April.

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Beginning 15 April, there was no activity in the area of the barracks installation.

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that Colonel Malakhatke (fnu) would become division commander and Lieutenant Colonel Vasenko (fnu) would take his place. that Major Kazionnek (fnu) would be sent back to the U.S.S.R. since he was "too unintelligent". **

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On 7 April, the house of a photographer in Prenzlau was searched by a lieutenant colonel and three additional officers who came in sedan and seized all photographs of Soviet officers and soldiers in the photographer's possession.

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* Comment. The information confirms that tank units of the 25th Tank Div went from Prenzlau to Templin during the period from 10 to 11 April and an unidentified artillery unit on 11 April. It is believed that the entire units were not covered, as only 87 tanks and SP guns of the two tank regiments stationed in Prenzlau were counted. It is not definite if the SP guns were JSU-122 type.

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** Comment. Lieutenant Colonel Vazenko (fnu) or Vasenko (fnu) is carried as commanding or administrative officer of a unit in Prenzlau. Same source stated in December 1951 that he was to be sent back to the U.S.S.R. Major Kazionek or Kasionek (fnu) allegedly was administrative officer in the barracks installation southeast of Berliner Strasse.

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